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AT

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Assay Department, Sep 22, 1882

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Jacob B. Eckfeldt
Assayer

H.M.A. Loudon Superintendent

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An assay of lots 7
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to show that they con-
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